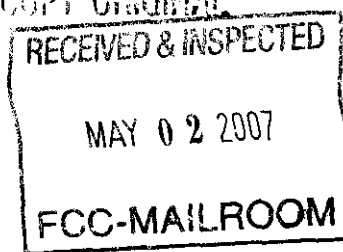




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**Re: CC Docket 96-45, Federal State Joint Board on Universal Service
RCC MINNESOTA, INC. SAC 369004**

Dear Ms. Majcher and Ms. Dortch

By Order dated April 25, 2007, the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (“MPUC”) issued an Order designating RCC Minnesota, Inc. (“RCC”) as a competitive eligible telecommunications carrier (“ETC”) in certain rural and non-rural telephone company service areas in the State of Minnesota.¹ In the same Order, the MPUC reaffirmed that RCC has been designated as an ETC in certain other wire centers for which it has not been receiving federal universal service support. A copy of the MPUC’s April 25, 2007 Order is enclosed for your reference. For your convenience, a list of the newly designated wire centers where the MPUC has granted ETC designation to RCC is enclosed as Exhibit A. Similarly, a list of the wire centers where the MPUC has reaffirmed the designation of RCC is enclosed as Exhibit B.²

¹ The MPUC had previously designated RCC as a competitive ETC in other rural and non-rural telephone company areas in Minnesota by Order dated July 31, 2003 in MPUC Docket No. PT-6182,6181/M-02-1503.

² The MPUC’s Order identifies the scope of the ETC designation with reference to Exhibits A and B to RCC’s Petition. The enclosed Exhibits are taken directly from RCC’s Petition.

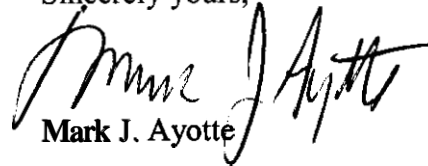
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Please update your records to reflect that RCC Minnesota, Inc. has been designated as a competitive ETC in additional areas of Minnesota as described in the MPUC's April 25, 2007 Order.

If you should have any questions or concerns regarding the enclosed, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely yours,

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Mark J. Ayotte

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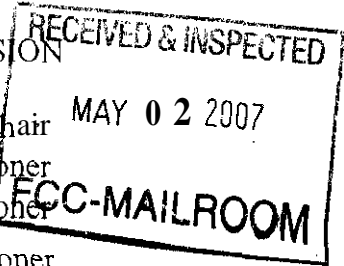
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DOCKET NO. PT-6182/M-07-243

In the Matter of the Petition of RCC Minnesota, Inc. for Designation as an Eligible
Telecommunications Carrier

The above entitled matter has been considered by the Commission and the following disposition
made:

Approved RCC's petition to expand the scope of its ETC designation to include the
wire centers listed in Exhibit A of RCC's petition and required RCC to submit,
within 30 days of this Order, an updated informational tariff to reflect its newly
expanded service area;

Reaffirmed that RCC has been designated as an ETC in the wire centers listed in
Exhibit B of RCC's petition.

The Commission agrees with and adopts the recommendations of the Department of Commerce
which are attached and hereby incorporated in the Order.

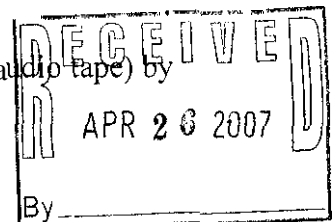
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Executive Secretary

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RE: **Comments of the Minnesota Department of Commerce**
Docket No. PT6182/M-07-243

Dear Dr. Haar:

Attached are the comments of the Minnesota Department of Commerce in the following matter:

The Petition of RCC Minnesota, Inc. For Designation as an Eligible
Telecommunications Carrier.

The petition was filed on February 20, 2006 by:

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The Department recommends **approval of the petition with conditions**, and is available for any
questions the Commission may have.

Sincerely,

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Rates Analyst

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Attachment



BEFORE THE MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

COMMENTS OF THE
MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

DOCKET NO. PT6182/M-07-243

I. PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

On February 21, 2007, RCC Minnesota, Inc. (RCC) submitted a petition requesting that the scope of its Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) designation in Minnesota be expanded to include the Minnesota wire centers listed in Exhibit A of its petition.¹

RCC was previously designated as an ETC throughout 33 counties in central and northern Minnesota (listed in Attachment C) by Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) order dated July 31, 2003, in Docket No. PT6182,6181/M-02-1503. As a result of an agreement with AllTel Communications (Alltel), RCC has agreed to acquire certain licenses and substantially all of the assets of WWC Holding Co. (Western Wireless) for a portion of the Minnesota areas in which Western Wireless was previously designated as an ETC by the Commission.

RCC states that the transferred assets include "all network assets and other equipment used to provide service, including transport facilities, test equipment, transmitters and receivers, antennae, generators, towers, towers, and network facilities, all owned and leased real property to support the network assets, subscriber contracts customer and billing files, network plans, inventory equipment, furniture and other personal property." As a result of the transaction, Western Wireless will no longer serve these areas. (The Department of Commerce [Department] notes that Western Wireless is obligated as an ETC to serve the areas in which it is designated, and should petition the Commission to relinquish its ETC status in those areas in which it is no longer licensed. If Western Wireless does not do so, the Commission may wish to revoke Western Wireless' ETC designation in the affected areas.)

¹ A copy of RCC's Exhibit A is included as Attachment A to the Department's comments

In addition to its request to expand the scope of its ETC designation, RCC requests that the Commission reaffirm certain of the wire centers in which it was previously designated as an ETC (listed in Exhibit B of its petition'), due to a "dispute with the [Universal Service Administrative Company] USAC over the status of redefinition of the service area requirement in these areas."

II. HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

THE COMMISSION'S PROCESS FOR REVIEW OF ETC APPLICATIONS

The Carrier's Intent and Capability

In recent cases in which the Commission has considered ETC applications, the Commission has undertaken a critical analysis in order to determine whether the applicant has successfully demonstrated its capability and commitment to provide service throughout its designated service area to all customers who make a reasonable request for service. (Thus far, the Commission has not made a specific determination as to what constitutes a "reasonable" request for service, but has handled such issues on a case-by-case basis as they come before the Commission.)

In making its determination, the Commission has typically reviewed the following:

- A list and description of the facilities used to provide service throughout the service area for which the applicant seeks support.
- A description of how the applicant will fulfill its obligation to provide service, upon a reasonable request from a customer, in any portion of its requested service area that is currently unserved - including specific steps, and associated costs, the applicant commits to take to serve customers who otherwise may not receive quality, affordable service.
- A detailed description of at least one "basic" affordable universal service offering containing all of the supported services.
- A formal plan for advertising the offering and the availability of Lifeline and Linkup and the basic universal service offering throughout its proposed service area.
- A service quality plan, including commitments and/or disclosures regarding customer service and dispute resolution policies; network maintenance policies; procedures for resolving service interruptions and any associated customer remedies: and billing, payment, deposit, and disconnection policies.

² See Attachment B

³ RCC Petition. page 6

- An informational tariff or customer service agreement that includes the following:
 - **All** rates associated with the universal service offering, including the cost of all equipment and installation charges and all other recurring and non-recurring charges.
 - Other services which may be added to the universal service offering.
 - **All** terms and conditions of service associated with its universal service offering.

Public Interest

In addition to the above, the Commission has heretofore required carriers to file sufficient information prior to the start of the 180 day review period, such that the Commission may determine not only the carrier's intent and capability of providing the nine supported services throughout its proposed service area, but information which allows the Commission to fulfill its obligation to critically evaluate public interest issues. The Commission has considered and evaluated such public interest factors as consumer choice, the advantages and disadvantages of particular service offerings, affordability of rates, service quality, and reliability of service. Prior to approving a carrier's request to redefine the service of a rural incumbent exchange carrier, the Commission has examined population density (as a proxy for cost) and/or modeled cost analyses to ensure that "cream skimming," either intentional or non-intentional, does not occur.

RECENT FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION AND MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION ORDERS

In its March 11, 2005 Report and Order *In the Matter of the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service*, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), while clarifying that state commissions would continue to maintain the flexibility necessary to impose additional eligibility requirements on ETC applicants if they so choose, adopted additional "mandatory requirements for ETC designation proceedings in which the [Federal Communications] Commission acts pursuant to section 214(e)(6) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended."

The FCC stated its intent to require an ETC applicant (in a proceeding before the FCC) to fulfill the following requirements in order to satisfy its burden of proof necessary to obtain ETC designation:

- Commit to providing service throughout its proposed service area upon reasonable request and provide a five-year plan demonstrating how high-cost universal service support will be used to improve its coverage, service quality, or capacity in every wire center in which it seeks designation and in which it expects to receive universal service support.

- Demonstrate its ability to remain functional in emergency situations.
- Demonstrate that it will satisfy consumer protection and service quality standards.
- Offer local usage plans comparable to those offered by the incumbent local exchange carrier (ILEC) in the areas for which it seeks designation; and
- Acknowledge that it may be required to provide equal access if all other ETCs in the designated service area relinquish their designations pursuant to section 214(e)(4) of the Act.

On October 31, 2005, in Docket P999/M-05-1169, the Commission adopted, in addition to its existing template for review of ETC applications, the additional requirements proposed by the FCC, with the following modifications:

- As part of its application to be designated as an ETC, an applicant may choose to file a two-year plan described in §54.202(a)(1)(ii) rather than a five year plan; and
- Carriers may choose to file information on a service area basis, instead of on a wire center basis.

III. STATEMENT OF ISSUES

1. Whether RCC has demonstrated the intent and capability of providing and advertising the services required in 47 CFR Section 54.101(a) for the purpose of establishing eligibility for federal universal service funds in its requested service area.
2. Whether designation of RCC as an ETC in RCC's proposed service area is in the public interest.

IV. DISCUSSION OF LAW

47 U.S.C Section 254(e) provides that "only an eligible telecommunications carrier designated under 214(e) shall be eligible to receive specific Federal universal support."

47 U.S.C. Section 214(e)(1) states:

A common carrier designated as an eligible telecommunications carrier ..shall, throughout the service area for which the designation is received—(A) offer the services that are supported

by Federal universal service support mechanisms under section 254(e) of this title, either using its own facilities or a combination of its own facilities and resale of another carrier's services (including the services offered by another eligible telecommunications carrier) and (B) advertise the supported services and the charges therefore using media of general distribution.

47 C.F.R. Section 54.101(a) outlines the federally supported services or functionalities supported by federal universal service support mechanisms:

- Voice grade access to the public switched network.
- Local usage.
- Dual tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent.
- Single-party service or its functional equivalent.
- Access to emergency services. "Access to emergency services" includes access to services, such as 911 and enhanced 911, provided by local governments or other public safety organizations.
- Access to operator services.
- Access to interexchange service.
- Access to directory assistance.
- Toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.

47 C.F.R. §54.202 outlines the FCC's recently adopted requirements for FCC designation of ETCs.

V. ANALYSIS

RCC'S INTENT AND CAPABILITY OF PROVIDING SERVICE UPON REASONABLE CUSTOMER REQUEST THROUGHOUT ITS PROPOSED SERVICE AREA

RCC's Facilities

RCC provides the nine supported services using some or all of its own facilities throughout its currently designated service area. RCC states that it is "fully capable of and willing to provide service in the Proposed Designated Service Areas consistent with the obligations on an ETC."⁴ RCC has provided a listing and description of the network facilities to be used to provide the supported services. RCC notes that on an interim basis it will receive switching services from Alltel until such time as the acquired cell sites can be fully interconnected with RCC's existing switching facilities."⁵ RCC has provided a map with detailed information regarding its signal coverage in its proposed service area.

⁴ RCC Petition, page 15.

⁵ Id.

RCC's Basic Universal Service Offering

RCC will provide a basic universal service offering (BUUSO) with unlimited local usage that includes the nine supported services. Upon receiving ETC designation, RCC will make its BUUSO plan available to customers within its expanded service pursuant to the same terms and conditions in its customer service agreement and BUUSO informational tariff, approved by the Commission in Docket No. PT6182,6181/M-02-1503.

RCC commits to take the following steps to provide service in response to a reasonable request from a customer within its proposed service area:

1. Provide service on a timely basis to requesting customers within its Proposed Designated Service Areas where its network already serves the potential customer's premises; and
2. Provide service within a reasonable period of time, if the potential customer's premises is located within RCC's Proposed Designated Service Areas, but outside its existing network coverage, if service can be provided at reasonable cost by:
 - a. Modifying or replacing the requesting customer's equipment;
 - b. Deploying a roof-mounted antenna or other equipment;
 - c. Adjusting the nearest cell tower;
 - d. Adjusting network or customer facilities;
 - e. Reselling service from another carrier's facilities to provide service; or
 - f. Employing, leasing, or constructing an additional cell site, cell extender, repeater or other similar equipment.⁶

Advertising Plan

RCC has provided information regarding its plans to advertise the availability of Lifeline, Linkup, and the nine supported services throughout its proposed service area.⁷

2-year Plan for the Use of Universal Service Support

RCC has provided a detailed plan⁸ for the use of universal service support, including specific service coverage, service quality, emergency service, and capacity improvements. In addition, RCC has provided information regarding operating expenses associated with the projected improvements. The Department notes that in future years, as a designated ETC, RCC will continue to be required to file on an annual basis, pursuant to the Commission's Order in Docket No. P999/M-05-741, two year service improvement plans and reports on its progress toward the fulfillment of those plans.

⁶ RCC petition, pages 17-18.

⁷ RCC Petition, Exhibit E.

⁸ RCC Petition, Trade Secret Exhibit F

bility to Remain Functional in Emergency Situations

RCC has included sufficient information in its petition to demonstrate that it has a reasonable amount of backup power without an external power source.⁹

Acknowledgement Regarding Equal Access

On page 25 of its petition, RCC acknowledges that it may be required to provide equal access to long distance carriers in the event that no other ETC is providing equal access within the designated areas.

The Department believes that RCC has adequately demonstrated the intent and capability of providing the nine supported services throughout its service area.

PUBLIC INTEREST

The Commission has found, in general, that the designation of qualifying competitive ETC's is in the public interest and comports with Minnesota's telecommunications goals of supporting universal service, maintaining just and reasonable rates, promoting customer choice, encouraging fair and reasonable competition for local exchange telephone service in a competitively neutral manner, maintaining or improving quality of service, and promoting customer choice.

In addition to the level of demonstrated intent by the petitioner to invest in network infrastructure in Minnesota and the general public interest benefits of competition, the Commission has chosen, in previous dockets designating ETCs in Minnesota, to consider affordability and service quality as part of its public interest analysis.

Affordability

Although the Commission has not specifically defined the term "affordable" in its previous ETC designations, each Minnesota CLEC and wireless carrier that has been granted designation as an ETC has offered at least one "affordable" choice to its customers. RCC's basic universal service with unlimited local usage is offered at \$14.99 monthly and can be installed for a non-recurring charge of \$30.00. RCC commits to lease the customer premises equipment necessary for the use of its BUUSO at a rate of \$5.00 monthly. In designating RCC as an ETC in Docket No. PT6182,6181/M-02-1503, the Commission found this rate acceptable.

RCC has met the expectation that it offer at least one basic "affordable service," as well as the newly adopted requirement that it offer local usage plans comparable to those offered by the incumbent local exchange carrier (ILEC) in the areas for which it seeks designation.

⁹ RCC petition pages 20-22

Service Quality

RCC has included specific provisions in its Minnesota BUUSO informational tariff and customer service agreement (which have been deemed acceptable by the Commission) with regard to:

- Billing Practices
- Appropriate handling of customer complaints and billing disputes
- Disconnection, deposit, and notice requirements

In addition, RCC notes that it has adopted the wireless “Consumer Code which sets forth certain principles, disclosures, and practices for the provision of wireless services.”¹⁰

Effect on the Federal Universal Service Fund

It is important to note that the designation of RCC as a federal ETC will have little or no effect on the size of the federal universal service fund at this time. As RCC points out, RCC’s designation in this docket will essentially become a substitute for the federal universal service support which WWC was receiving for customers served in essentially the same areas.

PROPOSED SERVICE AREA

RCC’s Proposed Expanded Service Area

Exhibit A of RCC’S petition lists all of the non-rural wire centers, rural telephone company study areas that RCC proposes to serve in their entirety, and previously redefined rural telephone company wire center for which RCC is seeking ETC designation. No further redefinition is necessary.

However, because RCC seeks to serve only certain wire centers within the study areas of some rural JLEC, it has provided, with its application, a population density analysis (which the FCC has deemed a reasonable proxy for a cost analysis) of the rural LEC service areas in which it requests redefinition at the wire center level.

In previous dockets, when evaluating a competitive ETC’s proposed service area, the Commission has considered the potential for “cream skimming” effects that may occur when a competitive carrier, intentionally or unintentionally, proposes to serve only the low cost, high revenue areas of a rural carrier’s study areas to the exclusion of high cost areas.

RCC does not appear to be deliberately cream skimming, having based its request for redefinition upon the area in which it is licensed by the FCC to serve. The Department finds no evidence that the population densities of the areas which RCC proposes to serve are significantly higher than (and hence, presumably lower cost) than the population densities of the areas which RCC proposes to exclude from its expanded service area.

¹⁰ RCC petition, page 23

The Department notes also that, to the extent that rural ILECs wish to further disaggregate or alter the way in which they have targeted the available universal service support with their service **areas**, they may petition the **Commission** to do *so*.

RCC's Request for Reaffirmation of its Previously Designated ETC Service Area

Exhibit B of the petition lists the rural telephone company wire centers for which RCC is requesting reaffirmation of its ETC designation.

RCC seeks reaffirmation of RCC's previous ETC designation in certain wire centers in the redefined service areas of Citizens, Federated Telephone, Melrose, Mid-State and Embarq due to a dispute with USAC over the redefinition status of those areas.

RCC and USAC disagree as to whether each of the aforementioned ILEC study areas was redefined, *in its entirety*, at the wire center level in Docket No PT6153/AM-02-686,¹¹ or whether *only the portion* of each ILEC's study area for which Midwest Wireless sought ETC designation in that docket had been redefined. Consequently, RCC requests that the Commission reaffirm RCC's designation as an ETC in the affected wire centers for these ILECs.

In Docket No PT6458/M-05-1122,¹² the Commission issued an Order on June 16, 2006, stating that "[t]he entire service areas of Citizens Telecommunications of Minnesota, Inc., Federated Telephone Cooperative, Loretel Systems, Inc. Melrose Telephone Company, Mid-State Telephone Co, Sprint-Minnesota [n/k/a Embarq], and Twin Valley-Ulen Telephone Co. have been redefined into their component wire centers."

The Department believes that the Commission's Order is clear with respect to the redefinition of the disputed ILEC service areas. However, in the interest of further clarity and certainty for RCC, the Department recommends that, in addition to approving RCC's proposed expanded ETC-designated service area, the Commission reaffirm that RCC has been designated as an ETC in the *wire centers* listed in Exhibit B of RCC's petition.

VI. COMMISSION ALTERNATIVES

A. With regard to RCC's designation as an ETC in its proposed expanded service area:

1. Find that RCC has made a credible showing of its capability and intent to provide and advertise an affordable, quality offering, including the nine federally supported services, throughout its proposed service area, and that its designation is in the

¹¹ In the Matter of the Petition of Midwest Wireless Communications.LLC for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Under 47 USC §214(e)(2).

¹² In the Matter of American Cellular Corporation's Petition for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier and Redefinition of Rural Telephone Company Service Area Requirement, Docket No. PT6458/M-05-1122, Order Clarifying Prior Orders, June 16, 2006, page 5.

public interest. Approve RCC's petition to expand its ETC-designated service area to include the wire centers listed in Exhibit A of RCC's Petition. Require RCC to submit, within **30** days of the Commission's Order, an updated Informational tariff and customer service agreement to reflect its newly expanded service area.

2. Find that RCC has not provided sufficient evidence of its capability and intent to provide and advertise an affordable, quality offering, including the nine federally supported services, throughout its proposed service area, and/or that its designation is not in the public interest. Deny RCC's petition for designation as an ETC in its proposed expanded service area.
3. Approve the petition with other conditions or requirements that the Commission deems appropriate.

B. With regard to the reaffirmation of RCC's prior ETC designation in certain wire centers:

1. Affirm that RCC has been designated as an ETC in the wire centers listed in Exhibit B
2. Do not affirm that RCC has been designated as an ETC in the wire centers listed in Exhibit B of RCC's petition.

VII. RECOMMENDATION

The Department recommends Alternative AI and B1

The Commission should find that RCC has made a credible showing of its capability and intent to provide and advertise an affordable, quality offering, including the nine federally supported services, throughout its proposed service area, and that its designation is in the public interest. Approve RCC's petition to expand the scope of its ETC designation to include the wire centers listed in Exhibit A of RCC's petition, and require RCC to submit, within **30** days of the Commission's Order, an updated informational tariff and customer service agreement to reflect its newly expanded service area.

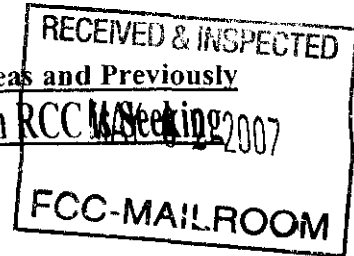
In addition, the Commission should reaffirm that RCC has been designated as an ETC in the **wire centers** listed in Exhibit B of RCC's petition.

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EXHIBIT A

Non-Rural Wire Centers, Rural Telephone Company Study Areas and Previously Redefined Rural Telephone Company Wire Centers for Which RCC is Seeking

Designation



I. Non-Rural Telephone Company

Non-Rural Telephone Company	Study Area/ Wire Center	CLLI	WWC Designation
QWEST CORPORATION (SAC 365 142)	ALBERT LEA	ALLEMNAL	WWC ETC Order IV
	FARIBAULT	FRBLMNFA	WWC ETC Order IV
	GLENVILLE	GLVLMNGL	WWC ETC Order IV
	GAYLORD	GYLRMNGA	WWC ETC Order I
	JACKSON	JCSNMNJA	WWC ETC Order I
	LE SUEUR	LESRMNLS	WWC ETC Order IV
	LITCHFIELD	LTFDMNLI	WWC ETC Order I
	LUVERNE	LVRNMNLU	WWC ETC Order I
	MARSHALL	MRSHMNMA	WWC ETC Order I
	MONTEVIDEO	MTVDMNMO	WWC ETC Order I
	NICOLLET	NCLTMNNC	WWC ETC Order I
	BIRD ISLAND	OLIVMNOL	WWC ETC Order I
	OLIVIA	OLIVMNOL	WWC ETC Order I
	OWATONNA	OWTNMNOW	WWC ETC Order IV
	PIPESTONE	PPSTMNPI	WWC ETC Order I
	MORTON	RDFLMNRA	WWC ETC Order I
	REDWOOD FLS	RDFLMNRA	WWC ETC Order I
	NEW SWEDEN	STPRMNSP	WWC ETC Order I
	SAINT PETER	STPRMNSP	WWC ETC Order IV
	TRACY	TRACMNTR	WWC ETC Order I
	WASECA	WASCMNWA	WWC ETC Order C
	WILLMAR	WLMRMNWI	WWC ETC Order I
	WINDOM	WNDMMNWI	WWC ETC Order I

II. Rural Telephone Company Study Areas and Previously Redefined Rural Telephone Company Wire Centers

Rural Telephone Company	Study Area/ Wire Center	CLLI Code	WWC Designation
BLUE EARTH VALLEY TELEPHONE CO (SAC 361358)	BLUE EARTH ELMORE GUCKEEN HUNTLEY WELLS WINNEBAGO (Full Study Area)	BLERMNXB ELMRMNXE GCKNMNXG HNTLMNXH WLLSMNXW WNNBMNXW	WWC ETC Order IV

TRADE SECRET INFORMATION – NOT FOR PUBLIC DISCLOSURE

Rural Telephone Company	Study Area/ Wire Center	CLLI Code	WWC Designation
CANNON VALLEY TELECOM, INC. (SAC 361440)	BRICELYN FREEBORN FROST MORRISTOWN (Full Study Area)	BRCLMNXB FRBRMNXF FRSTMNXF MRTWMNXM	<i>WWC ETC Order IV</i>
CENTURYTEL OF MINNESOTA, INC.* (SAC 361445)	BREWSTER LUVERNE DUNDEE FAIRFAX FULDA GIBBON HERON LAKE JEFFERS LAFAYETTE LAMBERTON MINNEOTA ROUND LAKE RENVILLE RUSHMORE WILMONT WESTBROOK	BRWSMNXA BVCKMNXA DUNDMNXA FRFXMNXA FULDMNXA GBBNMNXA HRLKMNXA JFRSMNXA LFYTMNXA LMTNMNXA MNETMNXA RNLKMNXA RNVLMNXA RSHMMNXA WLMTMNXA WSBKMNXA	<i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order IV</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i>
CHRISTENSEN COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY – MN (SAC 361425)	MADIELIA (Full Study Area)	MADLMNXM	<i>WWC ETC Order III</i>
CITIZENS TELECOM CO MN -- FRONTIER CITIZENS COM-MN – LAKES** (SAC 361123)	ARCO ATWATER BOYD BUTTERFLD CLARKFIELD CLARKS GRV COMFREY COSMOS COTTONWOOD DELFT ELLEDALE GHENT HECTOR HANLEY FLS HOLLANDALE HARDWICK HAZEL RUN WEST JASPER KANDIYOHI	ARCOMNXA ATWRMNXA BOYDMNXB BTDFMNXB CLFDMNXC CLGVMNXC CMFRMNXC CSMSMNXC CTWDMNXC DLFTMNXD ELDLMNXA GHNTMNXG HCTRMNXA ** FLMNXH HODLMNXH HRWKMNXH HZRNMNXA JSPRMNXJ KDYHMXA	<i>WWC ETC Order I</i> <i>WWC ETC Order I</i> <i>WWC ETC Order I</i> <i>WWC ETC Order I</i> <i>WWC ETC Order I</i> <i>WWC ETC Order IV</i> <i>WWC ETC Order I</i> <i>WWC ETC Order I</i> <i>WWC ETC Order I</i> <i>WWC ETC Order I</i> <i>WWC ETC Order IV</i> <i>WWC ETC Order I</i> <i>WWC ETC Order IV</i> <i>WWC ETC Order I</i> <i>WWC ETC Order IV</i> <i>WWC ETC Order I</i> <i>WWC ETC Order I</i> <i>WWC ETC Order I</i>

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Rural Telephone Company	Study Area/ Wire Center	CLLI Code	WWC Designation
	LAKE LILLIAN LYND MOUNTAIN LAKE ODIN PRINSBURG RAYMOND SVEA TYLER	LKLLMNXL LYNDMNXL MTLKMNXM ODINMNXO PRBGMNXP RYMNMNXA SVEAMNXS TYLRMNXT	<i>WWC ETC Order I</i> <i>WWC ETC Order I</i> <i>WWC ETC Order I</i> <i>WWC ETC Order I</i> <i>WWC ETC Order I</i> <i>WWC ETC Order I</i> <i>WWC ETC Order I</i> <i>WWC ETC Order I</i>
CITIZENS TELECOM CO MN-FRONTIER CITIZENS COM-MN – SOUTH* (SAC 367123)	ALDEN KIESTER BIGELOW	ALDNMNXB KSTRMNXL BGLWMNXB	<i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i>
CLARA CITY TELEPHONE EXCHANGE CO. (SAC 361370)	CLARA CITY MAYNARD (Full Study Area)	CLCYMNXB MYNRMNXM	<i>WWC ETC Order I</i>
CLEMENTS TELEPHONE CO. (SAC 361372)	CLEMENTS (Full Study Area)	CLEMMNXC	<i>WWC ETC Order I</i>
DELAVAN TELEPHONE CO. (SAC 361380)	DELAVAN (Full Study Area)	DLVNMNXD	<i>WWC ETC Order IV</i>
DUNNELL TELEPHONE CO., INC. (SAC 361381)	DUNNELL (Full Study Area)	DNNLMNXD	<i>WWC ETC Order III</i>
EASTON TELEPHONE CO. (SAC 361384)	EASTON (Full Study Area)	ESTNMNXE	<i>WWC ETC Order IV</i>
EMBARQ MINNESOTA* (SAC 361456)	BUFFALO LAKE BROWNTON DASSEL GLENCOE GRANITE FLS GROVE CITY LESTER PRAIRIE NEW RICHLAND SILVERLAKE ST JAMES STEWART WALDORF	BFLKMNXB BRTNMNXB DSSLMNXD GLCOMNXG GRFLMNXG GVCYMNXG LSPRMNXL NWLDMNXN SLLKMNXS STJMMNXS STWTMNXS WDRFMNXW	<i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i>

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Rural Telephone Company	Study Area/ Wire Center	CEBI Code	WWC Designation
FARMERS MUTUAL TELEPHONE CO. (SAC 361389)	BELLINGHAM CERROGORDO W MARIETTA (Full Study Area)	BLHMMNXXB CRGRMNXC MRTTMNXM	<i>WWC ETC Order I</i>
FEDERATED TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE (SAC 361390)	BIG BEND MILAN (Full Study Area when combined with existing RCC designation)	BBCYMNXB MILNMNXM	<i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i>
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS OF MINNESOTA, INC.* (SAC 361367)	ADRIAN ARLINGTON AVOCA BALATON CHANDLER CANBY CURRIE CEYLON DAWSON EAST CHAIN EDGERTON ELLSWORTH ELYSIAN FAIRMONT GREEN ISLE HENDERSON IONA IVANHOE JANESVILLE KILKENNY LE CENTER LEOTA LAKEFIELD LAKE WILSON LEWISVILLE MADISON MONTGOMERY NORTHROP OKABENA PORTER SHERBURN SLAYTON ST LEO TRUMAN TRIMONT WELCOME	ADRNMNXA ARTNMNXA AVOCMNXA BLATMNXB CHNDMNXC CNBYMNXC CURRMNXC CYLNMNXC DWSNMNXD ECHNMNXC EGTNMNXC ELWOMNXC ELYSMNXC FAMTMNXF GRISMNXG HNSNMNXH IONAMNXI IVNHMNXI JNVLMNXJ KLKNMNXK LECTMNXL LEOTMNXL LKFDMNXL LKWLMNXL LWVLMNXL MDSNMNXM MTGMMNXM NKOPMNXN OKBNMNXO PTERMNXP SHBNMNXS SLTNMNXS STLEMNXS TRMNMNXT TRMTMNXT WLCMMNXW	<i>WWC ETC Order II</i>

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Rural Telephone Company	Study Area/ Wire Center	CELL Code	WWC Designation
	WORTHINGTON WATERVILLE	WOTNMNXW WTVLMNXW	
GRANADA TELEPHONE CO. (SAC 361399)	GRANADA (Full Study Area)	GRADMNXG	<i>WWC ETC Order I</i>
HILLS TELEPHONE CO., INC. (SAC 361405)	HILLS STEEN (Full Study Area)	HILSMNXH STENMNXS	<i>WWC ETC Order I</i>
HUTCHINSON TELEPHONE CO. (SAC 361409)	HUTCHINSON (Full Study Area)	HTSNMNXH	<i>WWC ETC Order J</i>
INTERSTATE TELECOM. COOP., INC. – MINNESOTA (SAC 361654)	LAKE BENTON HENDRICKS (Full Study Area)	LKBNMNXL HNDRMNXH	<i>WWC ETC Order I</i>
LISMORE COOPERATIVE TELEPHONE CO. (SAC 361419)	LISMORE (Full Study Area)	LSMRMNXL	<i>WWC ETC Order I</i>
LONSDALE TELEPHONE CO., INC. (SAC 361422)	LONSDALE (Full Study Area)	LNDLMNXB	<i>WWC ETC Order IV</i>
MANCHESTER - HARTLAND TELEPHONE CO. (SAC 361426)	HARTLAND MANCHESTER (Full Study Area)	HRLDMNXH MNCHMNXM	<i>WWC ETC Order IV</i>
MANKATO CITIZENS TEL d/b/a HICKORYTECH (SAC 361427)	MANKATO (Full Study Area)	MNKTMNXM	<i>WWC ETC Order IV</i>
MID-COMMUNICATIONS, INC. DBA HICKORYTECH (SAC 361375)	AMBOY CAMBRIA EAGLE LAKE GOOD THUNDER GARDEN CITY LK CRYSTAL MADISON LAKE MAPLETON PEMBERTON ST CLAIR VERNON CENTER (Full Study Area)	AMBYMNXA CMBAMNXC EGLKMNXE GDTHMNXG GRCYMNXG LKCRMNXL MDSLMNXM MPTNMNXM PMTNMNXP STCLMNXS VRCTMNXV	<i>WWC ETC Order IV</i>

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Rural Telephone Company	Study Area/ Wire Center	CLLI Code	WWC Designation
MID-STATE TELEPHONE CO.* (SAC 361433)	NEW LONDON SUNBURG SPICER	NWLNMNXN SNBGMNXS SPCRMNXS	<i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWCETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i>
MID-STATE TEL CO. d/b/a KMP TELEPHONE CO. (SAC 361413)	DANUBE PENNOCK (Full Study Area when combined with existing RCC designation)	DANBMNXD PENCMNXP	<i>WWC ETC Order III</i> <i>WWC ETC Order III</i>
MINNESOTA LAKE TELEPHONE CO. (SAC 361437)	MINNESOTA LAKE (Full Study Area)	MNLKMNXM	<i>WWCETC Order IV</i>
MINNESOTA VALLEY TELEPHONE CO., INC. (SAC 361439)	FRANKLIN LUCAN MILROY (Full Study Area)	FKLNMNXF LUCNMNXL MLRYMNXM	<i>WWCETC Order I</i>
NEW ULM TELECOM, INC. (SAC 361442)	NEW ULM (Full Study Area)	NWULMNXN	<i>WWCETC Order III</i>
REDWOOD COUNTY TELEPHONE CO. (SAC 361472)	BEL VIEW ECHO MORGAN RED DEL RED DEL SEAFORTH VESTA WABASSO WOOD LAKE WALNUT GROVE (Full Study Area)	BLVWMNXB ECHOMNXE MRGNMNXM RDFLMNXF RDFLMNXR SFTHMNXS VESTMNXV WBSSMNXW WDLKMNXW WLGVMNXW	<i>WWCETC Order I</i>
SACRED HEART TELEPHONE CO. (SAC 361476)	SACREDHEART (Full Study Area)	SCHRMNXS	<i>WWCETC Order I</i>
SIOUX VALLEY TELEPHONE (SAC 391677)	VALLEY SPRINGS (Full Study Area)	VYSPSDXA	<i>WWCETC Order I</i>

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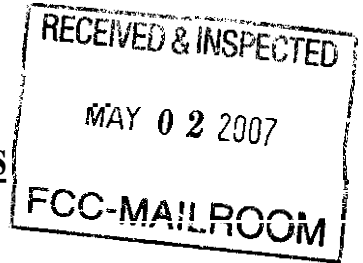
Rural Telephone Company	Study Area/ Wire Center	CLLI Code	WWC Designation
SLEEPY EYE TELEPHONE CO.* (SAC 361483)	HANSKA SLEEPY EYE	IINSKMNXH SLEYMNXS	WWC ETC Order III WWC ETC Order III
SPLITROCK TELECOM (SAC 391657)	GARRETSON (Full Study Area)	GRSNSDXA	WWC ETC Order I
WESTERN TELEPHONE CO. (SAC 361502)	SANBORN SPRINGFIELD (Full Study Area)	SNBRMNXS SPFDMNXS	WWC ETC Order I
WINNEBAGO COOP. TELEPHONE ASSN. (SAC 361337)	SO EMMONS CONGER TWIN LAKES (Full Study Area)	EMNMNXXE CNGRMNXC TWLKMNXH	WWC ETC Order IV
WINTHROP TELEPHONE CO. (SAC 361508)	WINTHROP (Full Study Area)	WNTHMNXW	WWC ETC Order I
WOODSTOCK TELEPHONE CO. (SAC 361510)	GARVIN HOLLAND RUSSELL RUTHTON WOODSTOCK (Full Study Area)	GRVNMNXG HLLDMNXH RSSLMNXA RTTNMNXR WDSTMNXW	WWC ETC Order I

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Company Service Area Requirement, “Order Granting *Petition* to Redefine Service Area Requirements to the Wire Center Level,” MPUC Docket No. PT-6458/M-05-1122 (Dec. 18, 2006); *American Cellular Corporation Petition for Agreement with Redefinition of the Service Areas of Certain Rural Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers in the State of Minnesota Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.207(c)*, CC-96-45, Public Notice, DA 07-18 (rel. Jan. 4, 2007) (redefinition of Citizens Telecom Co. MN and Melrose Telephone expected to be approved by FCC on April 4, 2007). In the event the FCC has not approved of the redefinition by April 4, 2007, RCC requests redefinition of the service area requirement based on the population density analysis.

EXHIBIT B**Rural Telephone Company Wire Centers for Which RCC is
Requesting Reaffirmation of Its ETC Designation**

Rural Telephone Company	Wire Center Name	CLI	RCC Designation
CITIZENS TELECOM CO MN - FRONTIER CITIZENS COM-MN -LAKES** (SAC 361 123)	ALBORN	ALBOMNXB	RCC Designation Order
	ALVARADO	ALVDMNXA	RCC Designation Order
	ARGYLE	ARGYMNXB	RCC Designation Order
	ASKOV	ASKVMNXA	RCC Designation Order
	AURORA	AURRMNXA	RCC Designation Order
	BABBITT	BBTTMNXB	RCC Designation Order
	BIG FALLS	BGFSMNXB	RCC Designation Order
	BROOKSTON	BKTNMNXB	RCC Designation Order
	BEAR RIVER	BRRVMNXB	RCC Designation Order
	BRIMSON	BRSNMNXB	RCC Designation Order
	CRANE LAKE	CNLKMNXB	RCC Designation Order
	CROMWELL	CRWLMNXC	RCC Designation Order
	DENHAM	DNHMMNXD	RCC Designation Order
	ELY	ELY MNXE	RCC Designation Order
	EMBARRASS	EMBFWNXE	RCC Designation Order
	ERJCSBURG	ERBGMNXE	RCC Designation Order
	FLOODWOOD	FLWDMNXF	RCC Designation Order
	FINLAYSON	FNSNMNXF	RCC Designation Order
	GREANEY	GRNYMNXG	RCC Designation Order
	GARRISON	GRSNMNXG	RCC Designation Order
	GATEWAY	GTWYMNXG	RCC Designation Order
	HALLOCK	HLCKMNXH	RCC Designation Order
	HERMAN	HRMNMNXA	RCC Designation Order
	HOYT LAKES	HYLKMNXH	RCC Designation Order
	INTNTL FLS	INFLMNXI	RCC Designation Order
	ISABELLA	ISBLMNXI	RCC Designation Order
	ISLE	ISLEMNXI	RCC Designation Order
	JACOBSON	JCBSMNXJ	RCC Designation Order
	KABETOGAMA	KBTGMNXN	RCC Designation Order
	KIMBERLY	KMBRMNXK	RCC Designation Order
	KENNEDY	KNDYMNXA	RCC Designation Order
	KETTLE RIV	KTRVMNXK	RCC Designation Order
	LITTLEFORK	LTFKMNXL	RCC Designation Order
	MALMO	MALMMNXM	RCC Designation Order
	MCGREGOR	MCGRMNXM	RCC Designation Order
	MEADOWLDS	MDLDMNXA	RCC Designation Order
	MCGRATH	MGRTMNXM	RCC Designation Order
	MILACA	MILCMNXM	RCC Designation Order
	NICKERSON	N C S N M "	RCC Designation Order
	ONAMIA	ONAMMNXO	RCC Designation Order
	OSLO	OSLOMNXO	RCC Designation Order

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Rural Telephone Company	Wire Center Name	CLLI	RCC Designation
	PALO PEASE PALISADE RANIER STURGEON LA STEPHEN TOWER TWO HARBOR WARBA WAHKON WHEATON WRIGHT WARREN	PALOMNXP PEASMNXP PLSDMNXP RANRMNXR SGLKMNXS STPHMNXS TOWRMNXA TWHRMNXA WARBMNXA WHKNMNXW WHTNMNXW WRGHMNXW WRRNMNXW	<i>RCC Designation Order</i> <i>RCC Designation Order</i> <i>RCC Designation Order</i> <i>RCC Designation Order</i> <i>RCC Designation Order</i> <i>RCC Designation Order</i> <i>RCC Designation Order</i> <i>RCC Designation Order</i> <i>RCC Designation Order</i> <i>RCC Designation Order</i> <i>RCC Designation Order</i> <i>RCC Designation Order</i>
EMBARQ MINNESOTA* SAC 361456)	ALEXANDRIA ALEXANDRIA AITKIN BENSON BENNETTVL BROWERVL CARLOS CROSBY DEERWOOD HOLMESCITY LONG PRAR VILLARD	ALXNMNXA ALXNMNXA ATKNMNXA BNSNMNXB BNVLMNXB BOVLMNXB CARLMNXC CRSBMNXC DRWDMNXD HMCYMNXH LNPRMNXL VLRDMNXV	<i>RCC Designation Order</i> <i>RCC Designation Order</i> <i>RCC Designation Order</i> <i>RCC Designation Order</i> <i>RCC Designation Order</i> <i>RCC Designation Order</i> <i>RCC Designation Order</i> <i>RCC Designation Order</i> <i>RCC Designation Order</i> <i>RCC Designation Order</i> <i>RCC Designation Order</i> <i>RCC Designation Order</i>
FEDERATED TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE (SAC 361390)	CHOKIO CORRELL DANVERS HOLLOWAY ODESSA (Full Study Area when combined RCC acquired at	CHOKMNXC CRRLMNXA DNVSMNXD HLWYMNXA ODSSMNXO	<i>RCC Designation Order</i> <i>RCC Designation Order</i> <i>RCC Designation Order</i> <i>RCC Designation Order</i> <i>RCC Designation Order</i>
MELROSE TELEPHONE CO.** SAC 361430	Grey Eagle	GRYEMNXG	<i>RCC Designation Order</i>
MID-STATE TELEPHONE CO. SAC 361433)	SEDAN TERRACE	SEDNMNXS TRRCMNXT	<i>RCC Designation Order</i> <i>RCC Designation Order</i>

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Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers in the State of Minnesota Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.207(c), CC Docket No. **96-45** (Sept. 15, 2004), Public Notice, **DA 04-3137** (rel. Sept. **29, 2004**) (redefinition of CenturyTel of Minnesota, Inc., Embarq Minnesota f/k/a Sprint/United, Federated Telephone Corp., Mid-State Tel. Co. and Sleepy Eye Tel. Co. deemed approved by FCC on Dec. 28, 2004); *Petition of the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission for Agreement with Changes in Definition of Service Areas of Twelve Minnesota Rural Telephone Companies*, CC **96-45** (Aug. 7, 2003), Public Notice, **DA 03-2641** (Aug. 12, 2003) (redefinition of Citizens Telecom Co. MN and CenturyTel of Minnesota approved by FCC on March 17, 2005). (See *In the Matter of Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service*, CC Docket 96-45, *Report and Order*, FCC 05-46, ¶ 76 n. 213 (rel. March 17, 2005) (“*March 2005 Order*”)).

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